



Weeki Wachee Kayaking

What to Expect to See on the River

The exceptionally crystal clear water of the Weeki Wachee River allows our guests to see a variety of marine life. The State Park Preserve and private land tracks along the river allows you to see what native Florida looked like years ago by natives Indians and early explorers alike. The Weeki Wachee River shows the true, natural Florida beauty as it was seen hundreds of years ago.

In the Weeki Wachee River you will see a variety of fresh water fish including mullet, bluegill, bass, freshwater gar and a variety of other freshwater fish. Turtles and otters can be seen as you travel down the slow winding river with an occasional deer sighting mixed into your trip. Florida deer are much smaller than deer in other parts of the country and provide a “special” treat to our guests who happen to get an opportunity to see them. Squirrels, rabbits and other animals can be seen almost daily. Several species of birds can be seen including woodpeckers, humming birds, wood cranes, hawks and owls.

Everyone always asks about alligators. We have personally never seen an alligator and several people who live on the river have never seen an alligator. They have a tendency to like water that is not crystal clear and is more swamp-like so the likely hood that you will see an alligator is possible but very rare. Since Shark Week everyone has been asking but to our knowledge no one has ever seen a shark on the river. The river is very shallow in places and it is not an environment where one is likely to see one.

Manatee are the main attraction on the river and provide a once in a lifetime for some to see the majestic animals as they traverse the river. Most days provides sightings on manatee cows and calves enjoying the river much like our guests are enjoying watching them.